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<u>Bio</u>: Naila Awan is a civil and human rights lawyer who joined Demos in February 2015. She works to help address practices and policies that restrict the ability of individuals to engage in the democratic process and repress voices of traditionally marginalized communities.

Naila serves as local counsel in *A. Philip Randolph Institute v. LaRose*, a case challenging Ohio's practice of and procedures for purging infrequent voters from the registration rolls, and *Mays v. LaRose*, a case challenging Ohio's practice of denying eligible voters detained in the days preceding an election from accessing absentee ballots in jails. Prior to joining Demos, Naila worked for the ACLU of Ohio and ACLU on a case challenging Ohio's elimination of same-day registration and cuts to early voting and was responsible for developing the ACLU of Ohio's legal challenge to the state's ballot access law.

Naila holds a B.A. from Miami University of Ohio, a J.D. from The Ohio State University's Moritz College of Law, and an LL.M. from New York University School of Law.